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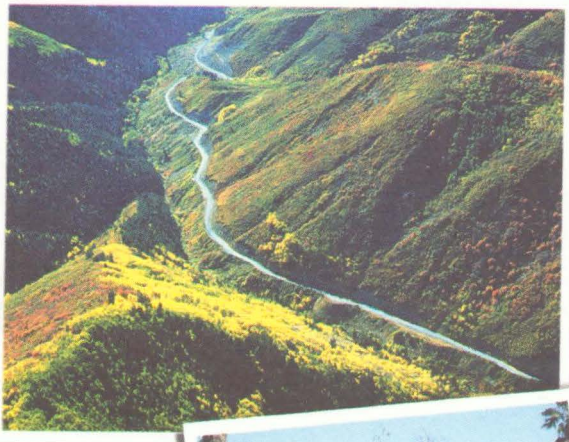

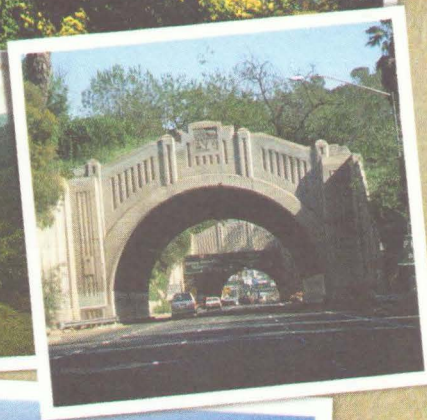

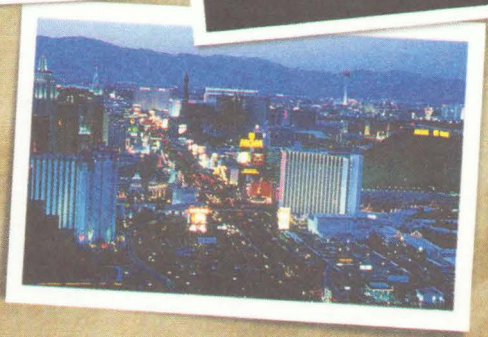

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The automobile. With its invention came freedom. The freedom to follow the open road. Freedom to discover. Freedom to experience America. A land of majestic beauty, rich history and fantastic triumph telling its tale to anyone who was prepared to listen, a tale that is now so often lost.

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1 ALABAMA/MISSISSIPPI/TENN.

Natchez Trace Parkway
N | 425 mi (684 km) | 2 days

Description: Native Americans, Kaintuck boatmen, post riders, government officials, soldiers and fortune seekers all moved across this trail, charting new territory and creating a vital link between the Mississippi Territory and the fledgling United States. The Trace passes through forests, cypress swamps and farmland. You can meander through the rock-studded hills of Tennessee; past cotton fields in Alabama, to Mississippi's marsh and bottomland. **Note:** Only one service station on parkway. Unfinished segment in Jackson, MS requires brief detour.
Contact: National Park Service 800-305-7417.

2 ALABAMA

Selma to Montgomery March Byway
A | 43 mi (70 km) | 1 hr

Description: Journey through history along the trail that marks one of the major historic events in 20th-century American history, the 1965 Selma to Montgomery March, led by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Wind through the streets of Selma, past farmland and gently rolling hills, to campsites where marchers spent the night on their way to Montgomery; the state's capital. **Contact:** State of Alabama Department of Tourism 334-242-4144.

3 ALABAMA

Talladega Scenic Drive
N | 26 mi (47 km) | 45 min-1 hr

Description: Talladega Scenic Drive offers a bird's-eye view of scenic mountains, rock outcroppings and small rural settlements within the Talladega National Forest. Heading towards Cheaha State Park and Alabama's highest peak, with an elevation of 2,407 feet, travel the backbone of Horseshoe and Cheaha Mountains, the southernmost extension of the Appalachian mountain range. **Contact:** USDA Forest Service-Shoal Creek Ranger District 256-463-2272.

4 ALASKA

Alaska's Marine Highway
N | 8034 mi (14222 km) | 1 month

Description: Alaska's Marine Highway is the only route in America offering sightseers views of fjords, mountains, waterfalls, glaciers, icebergs, islands, volcanoes, fishing vessels and a variety of other magnificent scenes - all from the water. Once the traveler arrives at one of the 31 terminals within the state, the beauty and wonder of Alaska can be explored before re-boarding for a leisurely cruise to the next point of adventure. **Contact:** Alaska's Marine Highway 907-465-3941 or 800-642-0066.

5 ALASKA

Glenn Highway
N | 135 mi (217 km) | 8 hrs

Description: The Glenn Highway traces the receding glaciers that formed this rugged gateway to Alaska's interior. People past and present have used this ice-carved corridor. Your journey begins in Anchorage and winds 135 miles to the broad interior plains near Eureka, through some of the most geologically active regions in North America. The Glenn Highway's story is of powerful geological processes that formed this beautiful landscape and the resourceful people who came to live, trade and travel along this corridor. **Contact:** Matanuska Susitna Convention and Visitor Bureau 907-746-5000.

6 ALASKA

The Seward Highway
A | 127 mi (204.36 km) | 2.5-8 hrs

Description: The Seward Highway takes you through the awesome natural beauty of south central Alaska between Anchorage and Seward. From jagged peaks and alpine meadows to breathtaking fjords and crystal lakes, the highway offers a concentrated series of diverse landscapes and experiences found together nowhere else in the nation. You may see Beluga whales in Turnagain Arm or even a dog team along the route in winter. **Contact:** Alaska Department of Transportation 907-465-4070.

7 ARIZONA

Kaibab Plateau–North Rim Parkway
N | 42 mi (68 km) | 1 hr

Description: This byway travels to the brink of the spectacular north rim of the Grand Canyon, which is 1,000 feet higher than the south rim. The Kaibab Plateau is covered with dense ponderosa pine and mixed conifer forests punctuated by huge meadows. Wildlife is abundant across the plateau, which is over 8,000 feet in elevation. You can expect to see breathtaking views of the canyon. **Note:** Seasonal closure in winter. National Park entrance fee. **Contact:** North Kaibab Ranger District 520-643-7395.

8 ARKANSAS/MISSOURI

Crowley's Ridge Parkway
N | 212 mi (341 km) | 5 hrs 30 min

Description: Along Crowley's Ridge, a mixture of plant communities and a diversity of species respond to abrupt changes in soil type, exposure, moisture and slope. Dramatic views abound along the ridge and rolling hills. Wildflowers proliferate throughout spring, summer and fall. Travel through natural and historical sites such as the Chalk Bluff Natural Area and Civil War Battlesite, five state parks and the St. Francis National Forest.
Contact: Arkansas Delta Byways 870-910-8080. Tourism Advisory Council 573-334-4142.

9 ARKANSAS/ILLINOIS/IOWA/MINNESOTA/WISCONSIN

Great River Road
N | 2069 mi (3332 km) | 10 days

Description: Experiencing the Mississippi River for the first time is a memory few will forget. Looking out over the river, it is impossible to comprehend the complex layers of history acted out along its banks. From the Dakota, Chippewa and Hopewell Indians and early French voyagers to the African Americans seeking freedom on the Underground Railroad, this corridor has played a major role. Through its charming river towns and metropolitan cities, historic sites and cultural artifacts, the Great River Road links resources, people and history. **Contact:** Arkansas Delta Byways 870-910-8080. Western Illinois Tourism Development Office 877-GRR-7007. Iowa Mississippi River Parkway Commission 563-332-8466. Minnesota Mississippi River Parkway Commission 763-212-7560. LaCrosse, Wisconsin, Area Convention and Visitor Bureau 800-658-9480.

10 CALIFORNIA

Arroyo Seco Parkway Scenic Byway
N | 8.48 mi (15.2 km) | 1 day

Description: Dedicated on December 30, 1940, the Arroyo Seco Parkway connects Los Angeles and Pasadena through the historic Arts and Crafts landscape of the Arroyo Seco. Conceived in the parkway tradition, with its gentle curves, lush landscaping and scenic vistas, the parkway also incorporated the modern elements that would lay the groundwork for the California freeway system. **Contact:** Scenic Arroyo Seco (at the Los Angeles River Center) 323-221-8900 Ext. 310.

11 CALIFORNIA

Death Valley Scenic Byway
N | 81.5 mi (131.2 km) | 3 hrs

Description: A gateway to over 3.3 million acres of spectacular scenery, expansive vistas, interesting and rare desert wildlife and a wealth of historical and cultural interest, this byway travels through sculpted hills and shifting sand dunes and even dips below sea level. Death Valley features the lowest point and the hottest place in the western hemisphere. A visitor center and full facilities are available. **Notes:** Extreme heat and occasional flash flooding in summer. National Park entrance fee. **Contact:** Death Valley National Park 760-786-3200.

12 CALIFORNIA

Route One, Big Sur Coast Highway
A | 72 mi (116 km) | 2 hrs 45 min

Description: Travel the route that hugs the California coast, providing access to austere, windswept cypress trees, fog-shrouded cliffs and the crashing surf of the Pacific Ocean. Views include rugged canyons, towering redwoods, sea lions and other marine life. **Notes:** Open all year. **Contact:** Monterey County Travel & Tourism Alliance 831-626-1424.

13 CALIFORNIA

Tioga Road/Big Oak Flat Road
N | 64 mi (103 km) | 2 hrs 45 min

Description: This byway offers one of the most spectacular passages over the Sierra Nevada. You'll drive through the highest automobile pass in California and experience an elevation change of over one mile from west to east. Views include towering granite peaks, pristine lakes, wildflower-covered meadows and lush evergreen forests with Giant Sequoia groves. See how ancient glaciers created the serene, yet rugged, landscape. **Notes:** Tioga Road closed winters from Crane Flat Junction to Lee Vining. National Park entrance fee.
Contact: Yosemite National Park 209-372-0200.

14 CALIFORNIA/OREGON

Volcanic Legacy Scenic Byway
A | 500 mi (805 km) | 1 to 3 days

Description: Come, experience America's Volcanic Legacy. Explore the wonder and beauty of a dramatic volcanic landscape, from Crater Lake in Oregon to Mount Lassen in California. You'll encounter the ancient natural forces that shaped exquisite mountain lakes and snow-capped peaks all throughout this volcano to volcano driving adventure. Along with spectacular scenery, you'll enjoy legendary history, charming towns and extraordinary recreational and cultural opportunities. A once-in-a-lifetime experience awaits you here, where the ever-changing worlds of past and present unite in harmony. **Notes:** Winter road closure in National Parks. National Park entrance fee. **Contact:** Volcanic Legacy Information Services 1-866-BYWAY (722-9929). Klamath County Dept. of Tourism and Visitors Center 800-445-6728. Siskiyou County Visitor's Bureau 888-66-BYWAY (662-9929).

15 COLORADO/UTAH

Dinosaur Diamond Prehistoric Highway
N | 512 mi (824 km) | 10 hrs+

Description: The area encompassed by the Dinosaur Diamond is one of the best places in the world to find dinosaur fossils and for the general public to see those fossils in the ground being uncovered by paleontologists. Museums along the route display many of these fossils and also artifacts of the ancient Indians who once lived in the deep canyons, colorful deserts and cool mountain valleys of this part of the American West. **Contact:** Castle Country Travel Board 800-842-0789. Dinosaurland Travel Board 800-477-5558.

16 COLORADO

Frontier Pathways Scenic and Historic Byway
N | 103 mi (166 km) | 3.5 hrs

Description: The history of this byway is like a microcosm of the history of the West. It tells of American Indians, trappers, explorers, traders, settlers, miners, farmers and growing cities. The area is unique for its still intact high-country ranches and unpoiled meadows. The area also has many famous "firsts"—the first planned auto recreation in a National Forest, Colorado's first colony and some of the first Baptist and Lutheran churches in the state. In addition to the byway's rich history, there are beautiful sights to see. **Contact:** Frontier Pathways Scenic & Historic Byway 719-783-2699.

17 COLORADO

Gold Belt Tour Scenic and Historic Byway
N | 135 mi (217.26 km) | 8 hrs

Description: The Gold Belt Tour follows historic railroad and stagecoach routes leading you to North America's greatest gold camp, three world-class fossil sites and numerous historic sites. The Shelf and Phantom Canyon Roads offer adventurous driving experiences along unpaved routes through winding canyons. Paved roads lead to high mountain ranges. Travel along Teller 1 and gaze at the majestic Pikes Peak. Five byway communities allow a glimpse into this area's mining heritage. **Notes:** Vehicle length restrictions on Phantom Canyon Road. **Contact:** Cañon City Chamber 719-275-2331.

18 COLORADO

Grand Mesa Scenic and Historic Byway
N | 63 mi (101 km) | 2 hrs

Description: This "playground in the sky" climbs through the rugged Canyon of Plateau Creek to the cool evergreen forests of the mesa top, 11,000 ft. above sea level. Catch a peek at porcupines, marmots, red fox, elk, deer and black bears. The route passes by hundreds of sparkling lakes and through wildflower meadows and forests of shimmering aspen and aromatic pine. Take a side trip to Lands End Overlook where the Grand Valley unfolds more than a mile below. **Notes:** Spur road closed October through May. **Contact:** Grand Mesa Scenic Byway Welcome Center 970-856-3100 or 800-436-3041.

19 COLORADO

San Juan Skyway
A | 233 mi (373 km) | 1 to 2 days

Description: Travel the "road to the sky" which offers views ranging from the towering 14,000-foot peaks of the San Juan Mountains to rolling hillsides speckled with ancient Indian pueblo ruins. Browse through the Victorian towns of Durango, Silverton, Ouray and Telluride, and visit famous Mesa Verde National Park. Soak in historic Hot Springs, ride the narrow-gauge railroad and sleep under the stars or in one of the area's cozy lodges. Winter offers opportunities for skiing, snowmobiling and viewing spectacular scenery. **Contact:** San Juan National Forest Information 970-247-4874.

20 COLORADO/NEW MEXICO

Santa Fe Trail Scenic and Historic Byway
N | 365 mi (919 km) | 12 hrs

Description: Encounter the Santa Fe Trail, one of America's first great trade routes. The trail (1821-1880) was also critical to the westward expansion of the U.S. Discover an undisturbed, pristine landscape while observing a wide diversity of wildlife habitats. Sites and landmarks include trading posts (Bent's Old Fort), stage stops, pictographs, the longest dinosaur tracks in North America, Raton Pass, Pecos, Santa Fe and Fort Union National Monument, where you can see wagon ruts worn into the land over 150 years ago. **Contact:** Trinidad/Las Animas Economic Dev. Inc. 719-846-9412. New Mexico Department of Tourism 505-827-7400 or 800-545-2040 ext. 751 for a free brochure.

21 COLORADO

Top of the Rockies
N | 75 mi (121 km) | 2 hrs 15 min

Description: With altitudes seldom dipping below 9,000 feet, this byway is worthy of its name. It crosses the 10,424-foot Tennessee Pass enroute to the historic mining town of Leadville, the highest incorporated community in the U.S. Old mining camps attest to the state's rich mining heritage. The route crosses the Continental Divide twice and traces the Arkansas River nearly to its source in the vicinity of Fremont Pass. The byway provides access to one of the largest concentrations of Congressionally designated Rare II Wilderness in the nation. **Notes:** Use normal winter precautions. **Contact:** Greater Leadville Area Chamber of Commerce 719-486-3900.

22 COLORADO

Trail Ridge Road/
Beaver Meadow Road
A | 53 mi (85 km) | 1/2 day

Description: Trail Ridge Road is America's highest continuously paved road. Scenic overlooks offer spectacular views of peaks soaring to more than 14,000 feet. Eleven miles of the route are above tree line in the alpine tundra. You can see plants, such as tundra wildflowers, and animals that can also be found at the Arctic Circle in Alaska, Canada and Siberia. **Notes:** Open Memorial Day to mid-to-late October. Closed by snow in winter. National Park entrance fee. **Contact:** Public Information Office 970-586-1206.

23 CONNECTICUT

Connecticut State Route 169
N | 32 mi (51 km) | 1 hr

Description: Traverse one of the last unspoiled areas in the northeastern United States, with forests, open spaces, rustic farmsteads and historic structures and features. This 25-town route winds its way through history, passing colonial homesteads, churches, stone walls, meeting houses and private schools as it connects several classic New England towns. You'll see 189 structures built before 1855. Views include maple and pine stands and glacially deposited rocks and boulders that lie strewn throughout fields. **Contact:** Northeast Coun. Visitors District 860-928-1228.

24 CONNECTICUT

Merritt Parkway
N | 37 mi (60 km) | Less than 1 hr

Description: Travel this graceful highway set in natural surroundings. Transportation buffs will especially enjoy this corridor's significant design, which brilliantly integrates the craft of the engineer and the artist. The bridges along the parkway are excellent examples of Art Deco, or Art Moderne, styles of the 1920s and 1930s. Magnificent foliage abounds in both spring and fall. **Notes:** Avoid driving the parkway during morning and evening rush hours. **Contact:** Connecticut Office of Tourism 860-270-8075 or 800-CTBOUND.

25 FLORIDA

A1A Scenic and Historic Coastal Highway
N | 71 mi (114 km) | 2-3 hrs

Description: Scenic and Historic A1A is complete with all the intrinsic resources and tells a 5,000-year-old story about human beings and their continually changing relationship with their environment. It is these environmental characteristics that have attracted Indians, Europeans and Americans to this region of the United States. **Contact:** Flagler County Palm Coast Chamber of Commerce 386-437-0106.

26 FLORIDA

Indian River Lagoon Scenic Highway
N | 150 mi (241.5 km) | 2 days

Description: The Indian River Lagoon Scenic Highway gives access to a National Estuary which provides habitat to more species of plants and animals than anywhere else in North America. History buffs, bird watchers, anglers, surfers, swimmers, boaters, hunters and family vacationers will find exciting opportunities to further their interests in a national seashore, three wildlife refuges, a state park, museums, community recreational facilities, Kennedy Space Center and the beaches and waterways. **Contact:** Tourism Division, Indian River County Chamber of Commerce 561-567-3491.

27 FLORIDA

Tamiami Trail Scenic Highway
N | 49.5 mi (79.66 km) | 3–4 hrs

Description: As you travel along the Tamiami Trail Scenic Highway, you will experience one of the largest remaining tropical wilderneses in the continental U.S., the Florida Everglades. A truly unique ecosystem, the everglades are home to an abundance of plant and animal life. Explore the many public lands on or accessed via the byway including Big Cypress National Preserve, Everglades National Park, Ten Thousand Islands National Wildlife Refuge, Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve and Collier-Seminole State Park. **Contact:** Everglades Area Chamber of Commerce 941-695-3941.

28 GEORGIA

Russell-Brasstown Scenic Byway
N | 40.64 mi (65.4 km) | 3 hrs

Description: Surrounded by the scenic and natural beauty of the Chattahoochee National Forest, the byway winds its way through the fertile valleys and mountain gaps of the southern Appalachians. From the breathtaking vistas found atop Brasstown Bald to the cooling mist of the byway's numerous waterfalls, scenic wonders fill this region of northern Georgia. Nature enthusiasts will enjoy the many recreational opportunities such as hiking the Appalachian Trail or fishing in a cool mountain stream. **Contact:** Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest 770-297-3000.

29 IDAHO

Northwest Passage Scenic Byway
N | 90 mi (144.9 km) | 2 hrs

Description: When the Lewis and Clark Expedition journeyed through North Central Idaho 200 years ago, they were seeking a "Northwest Passage" to the Pacific Ocean. What they found—sparkling rivers, majestic mountains, deep canyons and rolling hills—is largely unchanged for travelers today. Trace the historic route along the scenic byway's Clearwater and Lochsa Rivers in this breathtaking land of the Nez Perce Indians. Whether you're exploring culture, recreation or adventure, you'll find this "Northwest Passage" an unforgettable journey. **Contact:** North Central Idaho Travel Association 800-473-3543.

30 IDAHO

Payette River Scenic Byway
N | 112 mi (180.32 km) | 2 days

Description: The Payette River Scenic Byway meanders and curves through foothills, mountain valleys, canyons, forests, and wide-open valleys with expansive vistas. Lake Cascade, with its beauty and wildlife, can be glimpsed around the corners of the mountains and through the "Long Valley" surrounding it, and the spectacular view of Payette Lake set among the mountains and trees is a thrill for the first time traveler. Easy access to rafting, kayaking, camping and fishing make this a "must take" trip for everyone. **Contact:** Payette River Scenic Byway Advisory Council/Joint Agencies 208-325-8448.

31 IDAHO

Pend Oreille Scenic Byway
N | 33 mi (53.1 km) | 2 hrs

Description: Visitors to the Pend Oreille Scenic Byway find an abundance of recreational opportunities, postcard-quality scenery and historical elements including glacial sculptings, David Thompson's 1809 trading post and transcontinental railroad construction of the 1880s. The distinctive four seasons of each year enhance the numerous recreational opportunities created by the interplay of Lake Pend Oreille, the Clark Fork River and the surrounding mountains of national forest, bordered by immense natural beauty within the byway's corridor. **Contact:** Hope-Clark Fork-Trestle Creek Chamber of Commerce 208-266-1551.

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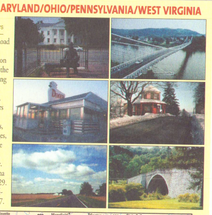
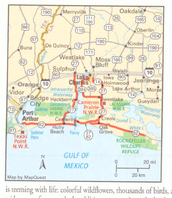
32 ILLINOIS/INDIANA/MARYLAND/OHIO/PENNSYLVANIA/WEST VIRGINIA
Historic National Road
A | 824.15 mi (1326.88 km) | 1 to 9 days

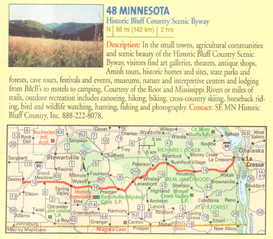


Description: The Historic National Road was the nation's first federally funded interstate highway. It opened the nation to the west and became a corridor for the movement of goods and people, creating the great cultural diversity we treasure. Visitors experience a physical timeline, including classic inns, tollhouses, diners and motels that trace 200 years of American history. Spanning mountains, rolling farmland and picturesque villages, the Historic National Road exhibits the nation's beauty and heritage and helps define the unique American experience. **Contact:** Illinois 800-772-0750; Indiana 765-478-3172; Maryland 877-693-9929; Ohio 614-298-2038; Pennsylvania 724-437-9877; West Virginia 800-828-3097.



40 LOUISIANA
Creole Nature Trail
A | 180 mi (290 km) | 1/2 to full day

Description: Offering a close-up view of Louisiana's Outback, the Creole Nature Trail winds through bayous and marshland and along the Gulf of Mexico shore. As a loop through Calcasieu and Cameron parishes in Southwest Louisiana, the trail is teeming with life: colorful wildflowers, thousands of birds, alligators and butterflies, and a wide array of mammals. In addition to traversing oak cheniers that are found in only three other places worldwide, the byway encounters one of the historic lighthouses on the Gulf Coast. **Contact:** Southwest Louisiana Convention & Visitors Bureau 800-456-SWLA (7952).

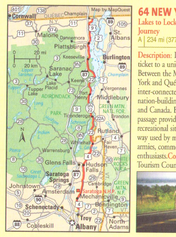


48 MINNESOTA
Historic Bluff Country Scenic Byway
N | 88 mi (142 km) | 2 hrs

Description: In the small towns, agricultural communities and scenic beauty of the Historic Bluff Country Scenic Byway, visitors find art galleries, theaters, antique shops, Amish tours, historic homes and sites, state parks and forests, cave tours, festivals and events, museums, nature and interpretive centers and lodging from B&B's to motels to camping. Courtesy of the Root and Mississippi Rivers or miles of trails, outdoor recreation includes canoeing, hiking, biking, cross-country skiing, horseback riding, bird and wildlife watching, hunting, fishing and photography. **Contact:** SE MN Historic Bluff Country, Inc. 888-222-8078.

56 NEVADA
Pyramid Lake Scenic Byway
N | 37 mi (59 km) | 2 hrs-full day

Description: The only byway in the nation sponsored by Native Americans, this route takes you to one of the largest desert lakes in the world. Pyramid Lake is landlocked on the barren desert floor, and its colors change from green to turquoise to deep blue. Its most striking feature is a great rock that rises 400 feet above the surface of the lake in the shape of an Egyptian pyramid. The lake is also a resting place for a variety of migrating waterfowl. A visitor center provides the opportunity to discover Native American culture of the Great Basin region. **Notes:** Shoulders of the road are sandy. **Contact:** Paiute Tribe of Pyramid Lake 702-574-1000.

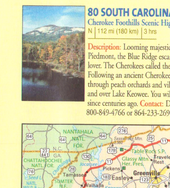


64 NEW YORK
Lakes to Locks Passage, The Great Northeast Journey
A | 234 mi (377 km) | 2 to 7 days

Description: Lakes to Locks Passage is your ticket to a unique American experience. Between the Mohawk River in upstate New York and Quebec flows North America's first inter-contoured waterway that shaped the nation-building activities of the United States and Canada. By bike, foot, boat or car, this passage provides access to diverse historic and recreational sites along 200 miles of the waterway used by migratory animals, explorers, artists, commercial enterprises and now, Byway enthusiasts. **Contact:** Adirondack Regional Tourism Council 800-487-6667.

72 OREGON
Hells Canyon Scenic Byway
A | 218.43 mi (351.52 km) | 8 hrs

Description: Follow contours of the land into slower times and wilder places. Journey from river's edge to mountaintop and down to valley floor. Enjoy panoramic views of rugged basalt cliffs and grassy open ridges. Savor lush meadows, rimmed by snow-capped mountains. Share a country road with a cattle drive. Tour bronze foundries, galleries and museums. Stand beside the majestic Snake River as it begins its tumbling course through North America's deepest canyon. Place your hand in the weathered timber of the historic Oregon Trail. **Note:** A section of the Wallowa Mountain Loop USFS Road 39, between Joseph and Halfway, is closed during winter months. **Contact:** Eastern Oregon Visitors Association 800-332-1843.

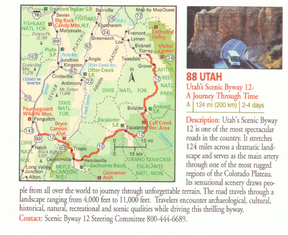


80 SOUTH CAROLINA
Cherokee Foothills Scenic Highway
N | 112 mi (180 km) | 3 hrs

Description: Looming majestically beyond the low, soft hills of the Piedmont, the Blue Ridge escarpment thrills the soul of the mountain lover. The Cherokees called these heights "the Great Blue Hills of God." Following an ancient Cherokee path, this beautiful two-lane road arcs through peach orchards and villages, past Cowpens National Battlefield and over Lake Keowee. You will find this corridor not much changed since centuries ago. **Contact:** Discover Upcountry Carolina Association 800-849-4766 or 864-233-2690.

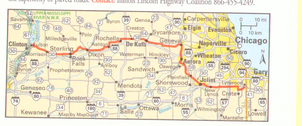
88 UTAH
Utah's Scenic Byway 12-
A Journey Through Time
A | 124 mi (200 km) | 2-4 days

Description: Utah's Scenic Byway 12 is one of the most spectacular roads in the country. It stretches 124 miles across a dramatic landscape and serves as the main artery through one of the most rugged regions of the Colorado Plateau. Its sensational scenery draws people from all over the world to journey through unforgettable terrain. The road travels through a landscape ranging from 4,000 feet to 11,000 feet. Travelers encounter archaeological, cultural, historical, natural, recreational and scenic qualities while driving this thrilling byway. **Contact:** Scenic Byway 12 Steering Committee 800-444-6689.



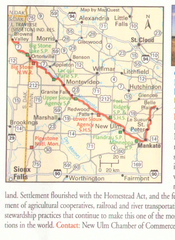
33 ILLINOIS
Lincoln Highway
N | 178.8 mi (287.74 km) | 5-6 hrs

Description: This historic byway follows the original alignment of the Lincoln Highway, the first paved transcontinental highway in the United States, and the forefather of the modern interstate transportation system. The 179-mile route crosses the width of northern Illinois, starting in Lynwood, Illinois, on the Indiana border, traveling through eight counties and 31 cities to Fulton, Illinois, at the Iowa border. This portion of the Lincoln Highway includes the first "bending mile," used to demonstrate the superiority of paved roads. **Contact:** Illinois Lincoln Highway Coalition 866-455-4249.



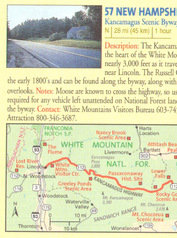
41 MAINE
Acadia Byway
A | 40 mi (64.37 km) | 3 hrs

Description: The Acadia Byway accesses Acadia National Park and Bar Harbor on Mount Desert Island. Captivating vistas will surround you, from craggy shorelines and granite-capped mountains to crystal lakes and old growth forests. The island is perfect for exploring with extensive carriage roads and hiking trails giving access to all areas of Acadia National Park. The island also shelters several small harbor towns, the largest being Bar Harbor, the island's artistic, culinary and social center. See the sailboats of Northeast Harbor or take in the rustic flavor of Bass and Southwest Harbors. **Note:** Park Loop Road closed from December 1 to April 15. National Park entrance fee. **Contact:** Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce 207-288-5103.



49 MINNESOTA
Minnesota River Valley Scenic Byway
N | 287 mi (462 km) | 7 days

Description: The Minnesota River Valley is rich with stories of Native American life, wars, treaties and resistance, entangled with the struggles of Euro-American immigrants and their conflicts with the Dakota while trying to make a home on this unfamiliar land. Settlement flourished with the Homestead Act, and the fertile land led to the establishment of agricultural cooperatives, railroad and river transportation, food processing and land stewardship practices that continue to make this one of the most productive agricultural civilizations in the world. **Contact:** New Ulm Chamber of Commerce 888-463-9856.

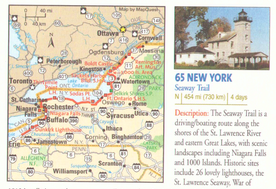


57 NEW HAMPSHIRE
Kancamagus Scenic Byway
N | 28 mi (45 km) | 1 hour

Description: The Kancamagus Scenic Byway passes through the heart of the White Mountains. The byway climbs to nearly 3,000 feet as it traverses the flank of Mt. Kancamagus near Lincoln. The Russell Colbath Historic Site was built in the early 1800's and can be found along the byway, along with numerous scenic areas and overlooks. **Note:** Moose are known to cross the highway, so use extreme caution. A "passport" is required for any vehicle left unattended on National Forest land. There are no gas stations along the byway. **Contact:** White Mountains Visitors Bureau 603-745-8720 or White Mountains Attraction 800-346-3687.

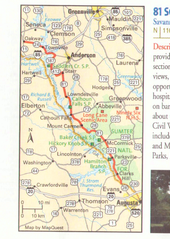
65 NEW YORK
Seaway Trail
N | 454 mi (730 km) | 4 days

Description: The Seaway Trail is a driving/boating route along the shores of the St. Lawrence River and eastern Great Lakes, with scenic landscapes including Niagara Falls and 1000 Islands. Historic sites include 26 lovely lighthouses, the St. Lawrence Seaway, War of 1812 installations and great museums. Enjoy welcoming harbors, agricultural landscapes, quaint villages, world-class sportfishing, 127 nature sites, cities and seven entry points to/from Canada. Start your adventure at the Seaway Trail Discovery Center, Sackets Harbor, with nine rooms of interpretive exhibits, murals and an orientation in a fantasy car. Open year-round. **Contact:** Seaway Trail Inc., 800-SEAWAY-T or 315-646-1000.



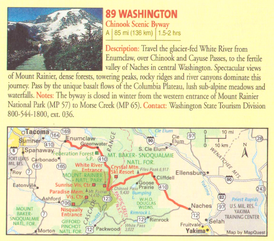
73 OREGON
Historic Columbia River Highway
A | 70 mi (115 km) | 3-5 hrs

Description: Travel to magnificent overlooks that provide views of the Columbia River and five waterfalls, including Multnomah Falls; additional waterfalls are accessible via the many adjacent trails. Throughout the spring see magnificent wildflower displays, including many endemic plants. The Columbia River formed the last leg of the Lewis and Clark Expedition and was part of the early route of the Oregon Trail. **Contact:** Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, Forest Service 541-386-2333.



81 SOUTH CAROLINA
Savannah River Scenic Byway
N | 110 mi (177 km) | 2 hrs 45 min

Description: The Savannah River Scenic Byway provides a pleasant drive through the upland section of South Carolina, affording scenic views, glimpses of life in the rural South and opportunities to experience southern hospitality. Whether receiving a casual lesson on barbecue traditions, fishing tips or stories about the state's role in the Revolutionary and Civil Wars, you'll feel welcome. Historic sites include ante bellum homes such as Oakley Park and Magnolia Dale. **Contact:** SC Dept. of Parks, Rec. and Tourism 803-734-1700.

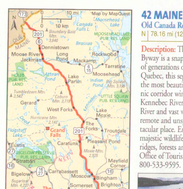


89 WASHINGTON
Chinook Scenic Byway
A | 85 mi (136 km) | 1.5-2 hrs

Description: Travel the glacier-fed White River from Enumclaw, over Chinook and Cayuse Passes, to the fertile valley of Naches in central Washington. Spectacular views of Mount Rainier, dense forests, towering peaks, rocky ridges and river canyons dominate this journey. Pass by the unique basalt flows of the Columbia Plateau, lush sub-alpine meadows and waterfalls. **Notes:** The byway is closed in winter from the western entrance of Mount Rainier National Park (MP 57) to Morse Creek (MP 65). **Contact:** Washington State Tourism Division 800-544-1800, ext. 036.

34 ILLINOIS
Meeting of the Great Rivers
Scenic Route
N | 57 mi (91.2 km) | 1 hr 40 min

Description: Within a 25-mile expanse, the Missouri, Mississippi and Illinois Rivers meet to form a 35,000-acre floodplain. The Mississippi, a working river, is also an environmental treasure. Historic 18th-century river towns, islands, bars, points and bends create beautiful scenery beneath limestone bluffs which are covered by forests that extend over nearly 20,000 acres. **Notes:** Expect road closings in spring, due to flooding. Ferries cannot operate when river freezes. A joint pass ticket runs adjacent to the byway. **Contact:** Greater Alton Twin Rivers Convention and Visitors Bureau 800-258-6645 or 618-465-6676.

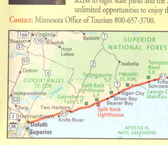


42 MAINE
Old Canada Road Scenic Byway
A | 78.16 mi (125.78 km) | 2.5 hrs

Description: The Old Canada Road Scenic Byway is a snapshot in time. Tracing the route of generations of travelers between Maine and Quebec, this spectacular U.S. 201 is one of the most beautiful in the northeast. This scenic corridor winds right alongside the Kennebec River, Wyman Lake, the Dead River and vast working forests. Due to its remote and unspoiled character, this is a spectacular place. Encounter old-time villages and majestic wildlife in the beautiful mountain ridges, forests and rivers. **Contact:** Maine Office of Tourism 207-582-9300 or 800-533-9595.

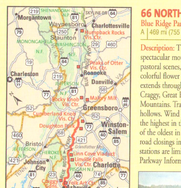
50 MINNESOTA
North Shore Scenic Drive
N | 154 mi (248 km) | 1 day

Description: The North Shore Scenic Drive runs from the world-famous Twin Ports of Duluth-Superior to Grand Portage, following the majestic shoreline of Lake Superior, the world's largest freshwater lake. Along the route, you are never far from the lake and will experience some of the most spectacular scenery in the country. The drive provides access to eight state parks and the Superior National Forest and offers plentiful opportunities to enjoy the outdoors in all seasons. **Contact:** Minnesota Office of Tourism 800-657-3700.



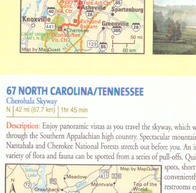
58 NEW HAMPSHIRE
White Mountain Trail
N | 130 mi (173 km) | 2.5 hrs

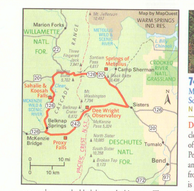
Description: The White Mountains region of New Hampshire has long been known for its "natural splendor, cultural richness, historical charm and stimulating recreation." The Trail is important for its varying topography, the mountain and river views it offers, the variety of its vegetation areas and the 18th- and 19th-century buildings and structures located along it. Much of the corridor is an excellent example of a typical New England rural area unspoiled by overdevelopment. Sites include the Mount Washington Hotel and Old Man of the Mountain. **Notes:** Bear Notch Road closed in winter. **Contact:** White Mountains Attraction 800-346-3687.



66 NORTH CAROLINA
Blue Ridge Parkway
A | 469 mi (755 km) | 2 to 3 days

Description: The parkway provides spectacular mountain and valley vistas, quiet pastoral scenes, sparkling waterfalls and colorful flower and foliage displays as it extends through the Blue Ridge, Black, Craggy, Great Balsam and Plott Balsam Mountains. Travel above timberline or into hollows. Wind along Grandfather Mountain, the highest in the Blue Ridge range and one of the oldest in the world. **Notes:** Occasional road closings in winter due to weather. Service stations are limited. **Contact:** Blue Ridge Parkway Information 828-298-0398.





74 OREGON
McKenzie Pass-Santiam Pass
Scenic Byway
N | 82 mi (132 km) | 3-5 hrs

Description: Experience dramatic, close-up views of the most beautiful of the snowcapped High Cascade Peaks. The panorama of lava fields and six Cascade peaks, as viewed from the summit of McKenzie Pass, is made even more striking by the contrast between the black lava and white snow. The mountains are mirrored in crystal-clear lakes, and the byway passes spectacular waterfalls, including Sahalie and Koosah Falls. **Notes:** Highway 242 closed from mid-November to mid-June. **Contact:** USDA Forest Service-McKenzie Ranger Station 541-822-3381.

82 SOUTH DAKOTA
Peter Norbeck Scenic Byway
N | 68 mi (110 km) | 1 day

Description: This byway will lead you on a delightful adventure as it winds its way around spiraling "pigtail" shaped bridges, through six rock tunnels, among towering granite pinnacles and over pristine, pine-clad mountains. Highlights include Mt. Rushmore, Harney Peak, Sylvan Lake, the Needles Eye & Cathedral Spires rock formations, abundant wildlife and outstanding scenery. **Notes:** Portions of the byway have steep grades, sharp curves and tunnels with height and width restrictions. Portions of the byway are closed in winter. Custer State Park and Mt. Rushmore are fee sites. **Contact:** Black Hill National Forest 605-673-2251. TDD 605-673-4954.

90 WASHINGTON
Mountains to Sound Greenway- I-90
N | 100 mi (161 km) | 1.5-2 hrs

Description: Beginning at the historic Seattle waterfront, you will enjoy the lush green forests and marine climate of Puget Sound, pastoral rural valleys and a dramatic mountain landscape as you travel along Interstate-90 Mountains to Sound Greenway. Crossing the Snoqualmie summit, look for a complete change in climate and geology. Enjoy many historic towns and scenic sites near the interstate. **Notes:** Use of chains or other traction devices is regularly required during winter on the I-90 Snoqualmie Pass. **Contact:** Washington State Tourism Division 800-544-1800, ext. 036.

35 ILLINOIS/INDIANA/OHIO
Ohio River Scenic Byway
N | 967 mi (1557 km) | 5 days

Description: This byway is a history-rich corridor that meanders along the banks of the Ohio River, hugging its shoreline and offering almost continuous views of the river. The history of the Ohio can be found both in rural landscapes and small, quaint river towns, covering periods from Native American habitation through western settlement, changing transportation patterns and industrialization. The landscape along the route offers scenes illustrating this history; sites include Scottsboro Covered Bridge, Grant's Birthplace, Lanier Mansion State Historic Site, Angel Mounds State Historic Site, Fort Massac State Park and Cave in Rock State Park. **Notes:** Occasional closings due to flooding. **Contact:** Southernmost Illinois Tourism Bureau 800-248-4373. Ohio River Scenic Byway 800-489-4474. Ohio River Trails, Inc. 740-423-7233 or 800-BUCKEYE.

43 MAINE
Rangeley Lakes Scenic Byway
N | 35.60 mi (57.29 km) | 2.5 hrs

Description: Composed of Route 17 and Route 4, the Rangeley Lakes Scenic Byway runs through the mountains of western Maine. The route offers fantastic vistas of the rugged mountains and cascading rivers and streams. Recreation opportunities abound all year long from hiking, fishing and golf in the spring and summer to sightseeing of the beautiful foliage in fall to snowmobiling and skiing in winter. The area has a rich history from ancient settlers to the logging industry that shapes its character today. **Contact:** Maine Office of Tourism 207-582-9300 or 800-533-9595.

51 MINNESOTA
The Grand Rounds Scenic Byway
N | 52 mi (83 km) | 3-4 hrs

Description: The Grand Rounds Scenic Byway is the country's longest continuous system of public urban parkways and has been the preminent urban parkway system for more than a century. The system includes lovely trails, paths, creeks, lakes and roadways in a totally unique urban setting. The Grand Rounds showcase one of the nation's most comprehensive systems of parks linked by boulevards. You will enjoy the Chain of Lakes, Lake Nokomis, Lake Hiawatha and Minnehaha Falls. **Contact:** Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board 612-661-4800.

59 NEW MEXICO
Billy the Kid Trail
N | 84 mi (135 km) | 2 hrs

Description: Follow the ghosts of famous lawmen, outlaws and warriors through the rugged Beauty of the million-acre Lincoln National Forest. From grassy plains to dense pine forests, the region is known for its stunning views and cool mountain climate. Visit historic Lincoln, home to both the outlaw Billy the Kid and lawman Pat Garrett. Lincoln's only street is lined with adobe homes and buildings dating back to its colorful, and often violent, past. **Contact:** Billy The Kid National Scenic Byway Visitors Center 505-378-5318.

67 NORTH CAROLINA/TENNESSEE
Cherohala Skyway
N | 42 mi (67.7 km) | 1hr 45 min

Description: Enjoy panoramic vistas as you travel the skyway, which winds through the Southern Appalachian high country. Spectacular mountain views of Nantahala and Cherokee National Forests stretch out before you. An impressive variety of flora and fauna can be spotted from a series of pull-offs. Quiet picnic spots, short trails and conveniently located restrooms enhance your visit. **Note:** Two-lane facility with wide shoulders designed for low speeds. Anticipate bicycle and foot traffic. Use caution on Skyway during winter storms. Road closed during heavy snows. **Contact:** Cherokee National Forest 423-476-9700. U.S. Forest Service, Cheoah Ranger District 828-479-6431. Monroe County Tourism Council 800-245-5428.

75 OREGON
Outback Scenic Byway
N | 171 mi (275 km) | 3-4 hrs

Description: Outback refers to land with a natural ruggedness. Though people come here seeking independence, they know each other's first names, and community is paramount. According to Jonathan Nicholas, publisher of the *Oregonian*, it is "a land of magic and of mystery, a place where rivers run very which way but never to the sea. This is the Great Basin Country, a star-spangled landscape of marsh and mountain, of reflection and rim rock, of stainless vistas and sage-scented dreams." **Contact:** Lake County Chamber of Commerce 541-947-6040.

84 UTAH
Flaming Gorge–Uintas
Scenic Byway
(Wildlife Through the Ages)
N | 82 mi (132 km) | 3 hrs 45 min

Description: The byway winds over the eastern flank of the Uinta Mountains and through the Ashley National Forest and Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area. View wildlife in their native habitats along the byway. Visit nearby Dinosaur National Monument and Quarry Visitor Center. Experience the "real west," as passed down through western folklore of early explorers, homesteaders, mountainmen, outlaws and cowboys. Visit the Green River below Flaming Gorge Dam for blue-ribbon fly-fishing experiences. **Contact:** Dinosaurland Travel Board 435-789-6932 or 800-477-5558.

91 WASHINGTON
Strait of Juan de Fuca Highway- SR112
N | 61.08 mi (98.3 km) | 2-8 hrs

Description: Find uncommon adventure on a remote stretch of Washington's coast. The Strait of Juan de Fuca Highway follows the glacial fried connecting Puget Sound and the Pacific Ocean. Catch truly inspiring images of eagles diving for prey; gray whales feeding in the strait or sea otters playing in the surf. Explore the wild shoreline, stroll windy beaches and fishing towns, fish for chinook and halibut or set off by foot, bike, boat or kayak to wherever your soul takes you. **Contact:** North Olympic Peninsula Visitor & Convention Bureau 360-452-8527 or 800-942-4042.

36 IOWA
Loess Hills Scenic Byway
N | 220 mi (354.05 km) | 7 hrs

Description: The Loess Hills Scenic Byway weaves through the rugged landscape of windblown silt deposits along the Missouri River Valley. This unique American treasure possesses natural features found only in one other place in the world, the Yellow River Valley of China. The steep, sharply ridged topography supports many rare plants and animals, many of which can only be found in the Loess Hills. **Contact:** Golden Hills RC&D 712-482-3029.

44 MAINE
Schoodic Scenic Byway
N | 29 mi (46.67 km) | 1.5 hrs

Description: This byway travels through one of the last frontiers on the eastern seaboard. This region has many protected and private lands that are maintained as open space and agricultural so revival an unspoiled and "real" Maine. Pass through a working landscape of lobstering, clamming, blueberry barrens and timberland. Enjoy the work of local craftsmen and artisans. Let the beauty of the mountains, islands, wildlife, historic buildings and lighthouses envelop you. **Contact:** Schoodic Peninsula Chamber of Commerce 800-231-3008. Maine Office of Tourism 207-582-9300 or 800-533-9595.

52 MISSOURI
Little Dixie Highway of the Great River Road
N | 30 mi (48 km) | 1 day

Description: Visitors to the Little Dixie Highway of the Great River Road will discover a unique culture shaped by the Mississippi River and by the many different peoples that have called Pike County, Missouri, home. The story of the byway is visible in the Victorian streetscapes of Clarksville and Louisiana, in the limestone bluffs that offer stunning views of the Mighty Mississippi and in the plantation-era mansions and still-operating farms that remind one of the struggles and perseverance of people throughout this nation's history. **Contact:** Mainstreet Clarksville 573-242-3993.

60 NEW MEXICO
El Camino Real
N | 299 mi (481 km) | 9 hrs

Description: El Camino Real crosses a land rich in history and culture. From the low-lying flatlands of the south to the soaring peaks of the northern mountains, the terrain climbs 10,000 feet in altitude, creating a landscape of dramatic contrasts. The *Camino Real* Highway to the Interior Land follows the Rio Grande from the United States-Mexico border to Santa Fe. You will enjoy a wealth of sites including several former Spanish colonial and Mexican villages, two U.S. Territorial forts and five Pueblo Indian villages. **Contact:** Albuquerque Hispano Chamber of Commerce 800-754-4620.

68 NORTH DAKOTA
Sheyenne River Valley Scenic Byway
N | 63 mi (101 km) | 9 hrs

Description: In a state known for its flat, endless horizon, a dip into the tree-speckled Valley of the Sheyenne, with snaking river and winding roadway, is a welcome aesthetic variation. Discover Native American, Viking, and Pioneer lore. Awaiting exploration are 51 trails, bridges, antiques, fossils, birds and horses, grasslands, geology and starry nights. Quaint towns and farmsteads lend an Americana charm to your journey. We have it all, a slice of the past, recreation for the present. **Contact:** Valley City Convention Visitors Bureau 701-845-1891.

92 WEST VIRGINIA
Highland Scenic Highway
N | 43 mi (70 km) | 2-4 hrs

Description: Travel through a wild and undeveloped portion of the Monongahela National Forest. Rolling, mountainous terrain is covered by hardwood forests and capped by dark spruce at high elevations. Traverse a narrow and steep-walled valley where views of clear mountain streams are common. Sites include Cranberry Glades Botanical Area, Summit Lake and Falls of Hills Creek. **Note:** No services along the route. No snow removal in winter. Some use by coal trucks. **Contact:** Gauley Ranger District 304-846-2695.

37 KENTUCKY
Country Music Highway
N | 144.1 mi (232 km) | 2 days

Description: The Country Music Highway is Eastern Kentucky's heritage route. The sites and sounds along the byway capture all aspects of the region's history, including Native American culture, pioneer settlement, coal mining, country music, crafts, architecture, the Civil War and natural resources. **Contact:** Southern and Eastern Kentucky Tourism Development Association 606-677-6096.

45 MARYLAND
Chesapeake Country Scenic Byway
N | 85.5 mi (138 km) | 2 hrs 30 min

Description: Come celebrate life on Maryland's Eastern Shore. Experience the Chesapeake Bay and observe watermen bringing their bounty to shore. Visit historic towns and learn about the area's rich history and culture. Travel through scenic stretches of productive farmland and see farmers work their fields. Let the Chesapeake Country Scenic Byway introduce you to one of the last truly special landscapes of the Mid-Atlantic Region and gain an appreciation for the working life of the Eastern Shore's farmers, watermen and merchants. **Contact:** Queen Anne's County Department of Business & Tourism 888-480-7787.

53 MONTANA/WYOMING
Beartooth Scenic Byway
A | 68.7 mi (110.56 km) | 3 hrs

Description: Called the "most scenic drive in America" by the late Charles Kuralt, this is one of the most spectacular alpine highways in North America. Beginning at the northeast entrance to Yellowstone Park and ending in Red Lodge, Montana, it offers a spectacular array of scenic views, from sweeping vistas of snow-covered mountains to panoramic views of hundreds of tiny ponds and lakes in glacial depressions. In the winter, the majority of the byway becomes a snowmobile trail. **Contact:** USDA Forest Service, Shoshone National Forest 307-527-6921. Red Lodge Area Chamber of Commerce 406-446-1718.

61 NEW MEXICO
Historic Route 66
N | 606mi (972.02 km) | 16 hrs

Description: Historic Route 66 occupies a special place in American history. Through movies, television and popular music, it has become a cultural icon representing American mobility, independence and freedom. As you travel the length of it, you can visit authentic Historic Route 66-era hotels, motels, trading posts and gas stations that have been lovingly restored and preserved. As a scenic route, Historic Route 66 offers majestic mountains, breathtaking vistas, meandering arroyos and land. Indian reservations, Pueblo communities and spectacular sunrises and sunsets. **Contact:** New Mexico Department of Tourism 800-545-2040 or 505-224-2802.

69 OHIO
Amish Country
N | 76 mi (122 km) | 4-6 hrs

Description: "Wilkum" to Amish Country from the hundreds of hospitality sites along our Scenic byway. Discover the cultural and historic treasures of the Amish and northern Appalachian people as you wend through curves and over the hills gracing our scenic countryside. Experience simple living and the interaction of Amish and English community life along our charming country roads, taking you to a bygone era still present. Find peace in our spectacular bucolic and natural vistas in all four seasons of the year. **Contact:** Holmes County Chamber and Tourism Bureau 330-674-3975.

77 OREGON
Rogue-Umpqua Scenic Byway
N | 172 mi (277 km) | 1-8 hrs

Description: From rolling, oak-covered hills to towering coniferous forests, from roaring white water rapids to incised intercanyon lava flows, the Rogue-Umpqua Scenic Byway invites you to experience 172 miles of diverse river and mountain landscapes. Be awed by fifteen different waterfalls. View majestic wilderness peaks, including Mt. McLoughlin, an "active" volcano. Drive 73 miles alongside the Upper Rogue and North Umpqua Wild and Scenic Rivers that contain world-class steelhead fisheries